



Twisting in the Fog Lazlo Gyorsok

Housatonic Camera Club Newsletter

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IN THIS ISSUE

Our May meeting is always the highlight of our season with Joe Meehan as our guest speaker. He gave a wonderful program about his adventures as an expedition and documentary photographer for three arctic expeditions assisting Dr. Martin Nweeia in his research to determine the purpose of the Arctic Narwhal's unique tusk. See page 4 for details. If you missed the meeting, there are links to various websites where you can see Joe's photos and discover more about Dr. Nweeia's research.

Our salon show at the Wassaic Grill & Bar is coming to an end. See page 2 for details regarding pick-up. On the 24th at 5pm, some club members will get together to have dinner. A good time to pick up your photos and enjoy the great food with fellow club members.

With spring finally here and the weather finally warming up, it looks like many of you have gotten out to photograph outdoors. The newsletter topic of the month was "It's a Spring Thing" and we got many submissions of some beautiful images that will definitely give you the feeling of spring.

As our season winds down, we are already looking for things to do over the summer. We will discuss possible field trips at our next meeting and then send out an itinerary with dates and times. We want to plan these field trips to offer as much of a social outing as a photography opportunity. Hope you can attend one or more! Also, we have already started planning the schedule for next. We've even secured some of our speakers. Looking forward to next year!

Our next meeting is **Tuesday, June 19, 2018**. We will review the recorded commentary. To celebrate the final meeting of the season, we will have happy hour from 5pm – 6pm and a casual dinner at 6pm. The regular meeting will begin at 7pm. Hope to see you there!

Welcome to the June issue of the Housatonic Camera Club Newsletter. The following is included in this month's issue:

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June Meeting

THE HOUSATONIC CAMERA CLUB presents

Year End Meeting Tuesday, June 19th

5:00 - 6:00 Social Hour
HCC will provide deli sandwiches (a \$5.00 member Donation). In addition to a member POTLUCK (which should include salads, snacks, and beverages).

A Super Raffle will be conducted.

7:00 - 7:15 Club business

7:15 - NECC Recorded Commentary based on 30 of our photos submitted earlier this year.

Meeting and Presentations at 7:00pm
on June 19, 2018
at Noble Horizons, (Cobble Bldg)
17 Cobble Rd., Salisbury, CT.

For more information visit: <http://housatoniccameraclub.com>



UPCOMING EVENTS

~ JUNE 2018 ~

Wassaic Grill & Bar salon show

Opening reception was May 6th. The show will run through June 19th. Sixteen members participated in the show and we were able to accommodate all submissions. The walls in the main dining area are full. A mixture of photos seen in other shows and some new ones including several from some of our new members. If you didn't get a chance to make the opening, try to stop by another. Many of us stayed afterwards and the food and service were top notch. **Pick-up will be June 20th through 24th 1pm – 8pm.**

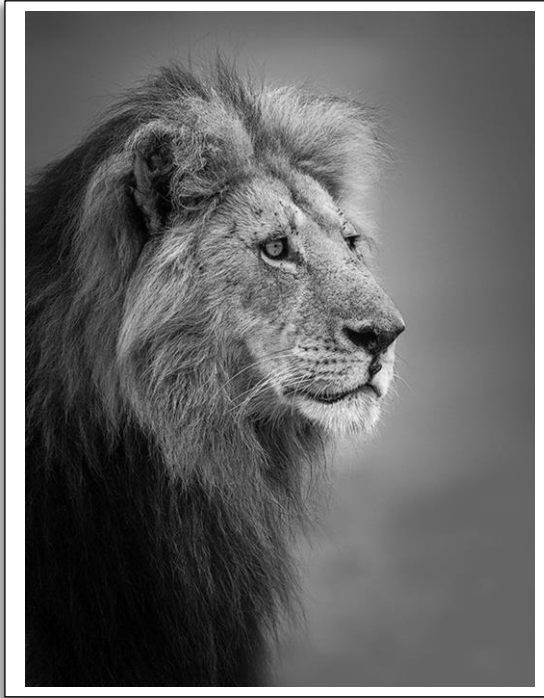
Goshen Stampede – Goshen CT – June 15, 2017 – June 17, 2017

3 day Music Fest, 2 Rodeos, 2 Demolition Derbies, 2 Truck Pulls with screaming super trucks, Great Food, Carnival Rides, and Fireworks too.. Gates open Friday at 2:00pm – 10:00pm; Saturday 10:00am – 10:00pm and Sunday 10:00am – 8:00pm at Goshen Fairgrounds, Route 63. There will be plenty of events to photograph. Visit <http://www.goshenstampede.com/> for details.



WINNING IMAGES

The following images received Honorable Mention in the Spring PSA PID Interclub Competition (Group E)



8	E01	#097631	Housatonic Camera Club	Barn Cat	Jane Rossman
10	E02	#097631	Housatonic Camera Club	Parasol display	Bert Schmitz
10	E03	#097631	Housatonic Camera Club	Woman resting in Medina Fez	Birgit Pajarola
13 HM	E04	#097631	Housatonic Camera Club	Lion Blackie Portrait	Neil Nourse
11	E05	#097631	Housatonic Camera Club	Into the Light	Lazlo Gyorsok
12 HM	E06	#097631	Housatonic Camera Club	Lizzie	Dawn Dingee
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Overall, we scored 9th place out of 38 clubs in the PSA PID Interclub Competition for 2017/2018 – Group E. The top 4 clubs move to another group next year so that would theoretically put us at 5th place next year – very close to moving to the next group where the competition gets harder. 😊 Are we up to the challenge?

GROUP E

CLUB	LOCATION	pts Nov	pts Jan	pts Mar	pts May	totals
Camborne Redruth Camera Club	England	66	65	62	75	268
Delaware County Camera Club	PA	63	64	64	68	259
Victoria Camera Club	Canada	59	66	64	70	259
Nashoba Valley Photo Club	MA	68	64	58	68	258
Qudaih Photographers Group	Saudi Arabia	54	65	64	71	254
Jiahua Elite Photography Association	Canada	68	58	56	69	251
Simsbury Camera Club	CT	62	62	61	64	249
Unlimited Vision Photo Club	WI	61	61	61	63	246
Housatonic Camera Club	CT	62	62	58	64	246

May Meeting Recap

by Dawn Dingee

Joe Meehan was our guest speaker at our May meeting. He gave a wonderful presentation of his work as an expedition and documentary photographer assisting Dr. Martin Nweeia in his research to determine the purpose of the Artic Narwhal's unique tusk. Narwhals are unique for the solitary tusk that protrudes through the tops of their heads. The horn is actually a canine front tooth that can reach as long as nine feet. Dr. Nweeia from the Harvard School of Dental Medicine was the lead author of the study to discover the purpose of the tusk. As a dentist, Dr. Nweeia was fascinated by this single tusk that the narwhal grows rather than a set of teeth.

Nweeia's work led to the discovery that the tooth is a sensory organ peppered with nerve endings right to the surface and there's no hard enamel shell as in most other species. These nerves help the Narwhal sense changes in the salinity of the water.



Photo by Joseph Meehan



Joe served as the photographer on this important expedition. He described his experiences during the 3 expeditions to the Canadian Artic, western coastline of Greenland and Pond Inlet. He took us on a visual journey as he shared stories and photos of his adventures. Joe was able to share with us the challenges of shooting in the cold temperatures. And yet another challenge were the polar bears! Joe shared a story of a polar bear outside his tent one morning and wouldn't you know it, Joe was able to get a decent shot off before the bear ran off.

Toward the end of his presentation, Joe shared many candid photos of the Inuit hunters and their families. Dr. Nweeia's research along with Joe's photos are currently in a Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History exhibit which will be up for 2 years. Visit <https://naturalhistory.si.edu/exhibits/> to see more.

For more information on Narwhal research, visit www.narwhal.org.

To see more of Joe Meehan's photos, visit www.josephmeehan.com.



Assigned Topic – It’s a Spring Thing

Each month we feature a topic of the months in the newsletter. Members are encouraged to submit 2-3 photos to select from. This month’s topic was “It’s a Spring Thing”.



Eastern Bluebird ©Dawn Dingee



Let it Bee Spring ©Dawn Dingee



Young Ones ©Judith Gott



Forget Me Not ©Judith Gott



Assigned Topic – It's a Spring Thing



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Various ©G. A. Mudge



Returning Warbler ©Jane Rossman



Spring time is looking forward to green grass ©Brian Wilcox

Member Profile – Amy Goossens

Amy Goossens has worked as an interior designer for Peter Marino Architect as well as independently on several residences. She is the set and costume designer for Shakespeare Downtown, a theatre company that gives free outdoor performances at Castle Clinton National Monument in Lower Manhattan. Amy has a B.A. in art history from Eckerd College and studied at the NYSID. She took a few photography courses at Eckerd and at FIT.

She has both a film and a digital Canon Rebel but takes 99% of her photos with an iPhone 6s.

Her design work can be seen at amygoossensdesign.com, her set and costume design can be seen at shakespearedowntown.org, and her photographs can be seen on Instagram [@amygoossens17](https://www.instagram.com/amygoossens17). Amy splits her time between her apt on the Upper East Side and her country house in Amenia, NY.



Announcements

HOUSATONIC CAMERA CLUB REPRESENTATIVES for 2017/2018 season

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	NECCC - Bert Schmitz bschmitz@att.net

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To all Club Members

For future editions of the newsletter, consider submitting:

- **Your favorite place to photograph**
- **The story behind the picture**
- **Share photography and photo printing tips**
- **Your photo blog or website URL**

Club flickr site:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/124371381@N07/>

Photos submitted to the club flickr site appear on the Housatonic Camera Club website on the HOME page.



NECCC 2018 Photo Conference



Save the date!
July 13-15 2018
www.NECCC.org

- LOTS to do, shoot, and learn!!
- Attend photography programs
- Interact with photographers
- Trade Show – vendors! demos!
- Camera/lens loaning
- Participate in hands-on workshops
- Photograph models
- Photograph animals, glass, props, photo-ops galore!
- Image reviews & competitions



September 30 -
October 6, 2018

Salt Lake City, Utah
September 30 - October 6, 2018

PSA Conference
Salt Lake City, Utah

Announcements

PSA Image Size Change

Next season, the image size for PSA competitions will increase from 1024 X 768 to 1400 X 1050.

If you are having trouble sizing your pictures, let me know. We have some detailed instructions in our newsletter archives that I can share.

If you want to post-process your images, but are afraid to learn Photoshop or Lightroom, or think it is too complicated. Here is a FREE Software that can do a lot of image processing, and is easy to use.

<http://www.faststone.org/FSViewerDetail.htm>

Thanks Bert!

From the Archives Photos courtesy of Ian McCunn



Sid Shore, Bill DeVoti, Rita Mathews



L-R: Judy, Sid Shore, John Rudd (Part hidden behind Sid), Anne Brigham, Rita Mathews



L-R: Judy, John Rudd (dec), Jan Tenney (At Nobel Horizons TODAY), Sid Shore (dec), Anne Brigham

Spring 2018 *at* HCC

Housatonic Camera Club Presents
Spring 2018 Meeting/Exhibit Line-Up

March 3-31....HCC Photography Exhibition at North Elm Home,
Millerton NY

March 20....Presentation by Photographer Theo Coulombe.....Topic
"To be announced"

April 17....Presentation by Francesco Mastalia "YOGA The Secret of Life"
Photo Essay taken on glass plates using the wet-collodion
process, a photographic technique dating back to the 1850's

May 15....Presentation by Photographer Joe Meehan

The Land & People of the Arctic - Experiences as an Expedition Photographer for
the Study of the Arctic Narwhal

June 19....End of year festivities, and review 'Recorded Commentary'

Housatonic Camera Club Membership Enrollment 2017—2018

I wish to enroll as a member for one year. Season runs from September through June. Attached is the membership fee of \$35.00 (and \$15.00 for each additional family member).

Please hand or mail this form to the Treasurer, Judy Becker
13 Housatonic Ave. Canaan, CT 06018-2421; Email: judybecker40@att.net; Phone: 860-824-0561

PLEASE PRINT ONLY ... AND CLEARLY!

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS(ES): _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

WE WILL SEND YOU OUR HCC HANDBOOK, MONTHLY NEWSLETTER, SCHEDULES, AND CLUB
INFORMATION